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May 27, 1988

Ms. Ursula M. Pfahl
Assistant Vice President
for Academic Affairs
Rockhurst College
5225 Troost
Kansas City, Missouri 64110

Dear Ms. Pfahl:

I cannot tell you how much I appreciate your very thoughtful letter about my appearance at Rockhurst's commencement. It was a great privilege for me to be there, and I felt deeply honored to have received an honorary degree from the College. I know that in my current position this presents some complications to the administration. The support of the students as well as the administration made it for me a memorable experience.

I am going to take the liberty of circulating your letter to some key people in the Agency, as well as the security personnel whom you were good enough to notice and compliment for their work. I know it will be appreciated.

With my very best wishes and many thanks,

Sincerely,

William H. Webster
Director of Central Intelligence



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Rockhurst College

Kansas City's Jesuit College

Office of the Vice President

May 17, 1988

The Hon. William H. Webster
Director of Central Intelligence
Central Intelligence Agency
Washington, D.C. 20505

Dear Judge Webster:

I would like to express to you my deep gratitude for your attendance at Rockhurst College's Commencement on Sunday. Your presence and your very thoughtful remarks honored the College, its graduates, and their family and friends.

Your visit here took up most of your weekend and added another function to a schedule, the demands of which one can only guess. Please, know how very much we appreciate all the efforts you made to be with us!

May I add a brief personal note! During my 25 years in this country, I have often marvelled at the wisdom and genius of the institutions reflecting the unique character of American democracy. As you said, it is individuals who represent these institutions to and for the people. Your record of public service, your personal example, and your willingness to share in the joyous moments of more than 4,000 people on Sunday contributed much to bringing an important agency of our government a little closer to our hearts and minds. You sent our graduates on their way with the important reminder to serve when called to do so and to accept a challenge when it is offered. Many have told me that they will remember your words for a very long time. I think I can say that they heard you, and they believed you.

As I listened to your comments about the work and death of Mr. Buckley in Beirut, I realized how much we tend to take for granted the competent and faithful work of the great majority of our public officials and how rarely, if ever, we tell them of our appreciation for their efforts. For my part, I'll do something about that omission today!

May I also say how very much I enjoyed working with [redacted] and one other gentleman whose initials escape me. Their professionalism, dedication to their work, and spirit of cooperation and thoughtfulness were truly exemplary.

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Thank you for coming to our Commencement, Judge Webster, and thank you for all the many things you and your staff do to keep us as safe as we can be in an unsafe world.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Ursula M. Pfahl".

Ursula M. Pfahl
Assistant Vice President
for Academic Affairs

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